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In re Application of: JOHNSON, Peter C.

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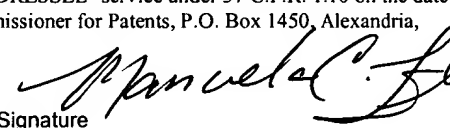
Atty. Docket No.: 11899.0249.NPUS01

Filed: March 9, 2000

For: METHOD AND INFORMATION SYSTEM FOR  
NON-RANDOM SELECTION OF UNIFORM  
STRUCTURAL AND FUNCTIONAL FEATURES  
FOR TISSUE AND PLANT PRODUCT  
PROCESSING

**MAY 30, 2006 REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION  
UNDER 37 CFR § 1.114**

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This is a request for continued examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of pending prior application Serial No. 09/521,769, filed on March 9, 2000, entitled "Method And Information System For Non-Random Selection Of Uniform Structural And Functional Features For Tissue And Plant Product Processing", the named Applicant being Peter C. Johnson.

**Required Submission under 37 CFR § 1.114** (at least one MUST be checked)

- ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on March 27, 2006.
- ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Consider the enclosed amendment/reply

- ☐ Consider the enclosed affidavit(s)/declaration(s)  
☐ Consider the enclosed Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)  
☐ Consider the enclosed items: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Request for Extension of Time

- ☒ An extension of time the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.136 for a period of 1 month.

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### Fees and Payment

- ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR § 1.17(e) in the amount of \$790.00  
(The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.)  
☒ Extension of time fee in the amount of \$120.00  
☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed  
☒ The undersigned authorizes the Director to charge the amount of \$910.00 for the above fees to Deposit Account No. 08-3038, referencing Order No. 11899.0249.NPUS01.

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### Other papers

Also enclosed please find the following: return receipt postcard

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Assignee petitions for an extension of time of one-month to and including May 30, 2006. A separate request for a one-month extension accompanies this Request for Continued Examination. A response to the January 26, 2006 Office Action was filed within two months on Monday March 27, 2006. Thus, the three-month statutory period ended April 27, 2006, the date the advisory action was mailed. May 27, 2006 was a Saturday followed by the Memorial Day Holiday on Monday May 29, 2006. Thus, it is believed that a one-month extension includes up to Tuesday May 30, 2006. However, the undersigned representative requests any extension of time that may be deemed necessary to further the prosecution of this application. The undersigned representative authorizes the

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Commissioner to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 08-3038, referencing Order No. 11899.0249.NPUS01.

Assignee respectfully requests that the Examiner directly contact the undersigned to discuss any issues or questions presented by this paper.

Respectfully submitted,



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